



Jefferson High School

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State High School Engineering Contest

Lafayette, Ind. – The fifth annual Introduction to Engineering Design Contest (IED) is taking place statewide on Tuesday, April 10th with 32 schools participating.

Three regional sites will host the competition:

Northern Region, Lafayette Jefferson High School

Central Region, McKenzie Career Center

Southern Region, Jasper High School

The top two teams from each regional site will compete in the State Finals in Indianapolis on Friday, April 20th.

Lafayette Jeff will host 12 area high schools on Tuesday, April 10th. Teams of four to six students from each high school will compete in an all day event designed for first year students who take Project Lead the Way courses. Each team will be given a problem statement along with all of the materials and computers needed to complete the project. Teams will have a little over four hours to work on the problem and prepare a presentation. Teams will then present their ideas to a panel of judges in the afternoon. Judges will be looking at the team's solution, presentation, documentation, and teamwork. Awards will be given for first place, second place, best presentation, best design and documentation, and best teamwork.

Project Lead the Way is a national nonprofit organization established to help schools give students the knowledge they need to excel in high tech fields. A number of high schools across the country are finding that Project Lead the Way's pre-engineering curricula for high school gives students rigorous, relevant, reality-based knowledge to prepare them for college. Research shows that students introduced to engineering principals in high school are better prepared for college engineering programs. To learn more about Project Lead the Way visit www.pltw.org.

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This event is being sponsored by Lilly Laboratories and Fairfield Manufacturing. There are no registration costs to the schools thanks to the community support.

List of Participating Schools at Lafayette Jeff Regional Meet:

Argos High School
Crawfordsville High School
Harrison High School
Kankakee Valley High School
Kokomo High School
Lafayette Jefferson High School
McCutcheon High School
Portage High School
Rensselaer High School
South Newton High School
Twin Lakes High School
Valparaiso High School

Schedule of Events:

Tuesday, April 10, 2007

7:50 a.m.- 8:15 a.m. Registration
8:15 a.m.-8:30 a.m. Introduction and explanation of contest
8:30 a.m.- 12:45 p.m. Work on problem
12:45-1:20 p.m. Lunch for teams
1:30-2:45 p.m. Team presentations
3:05-3:20 p.m. Announce award winners

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